## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 825 By Pinion

A RESOLUTION to recognize and thank the employees of the Board of Probation and Paroles.

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor those exemplary state employees who, through their abiding commitment to excellence and public service, are a credit to this state; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly enacted legislation to combine the Board of Paroles with the Community Services/Probation division of the Department of Correction; and

WHEREAS, the staff members of the two departments were directed to spend one year planning for the formal implementation of the new agency; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1999, the creation of the "Tennessee Board of Probation and Parole" was formalized; and

WHEREAS, the staff for the new agency, as well as those staff members in Community Corrections, have worked diligently to create a unified performance-driven department, and to effectively and efficiently utilize existing resources; and

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WHEREAS, it is more than fitting that we pause in our deliberations to pay tribute to the outstanding accomplishments of the staff members of this new agency; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the employees of the Board of Probation and Parole for their successful blending of services in the newly established agency and for their dedication to excellence in their field, and extend to them our congratulations and best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the members of the Board of Probation and Parole with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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